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Dear Mr. Naventi:

CONTRACT NO. DE-AC27-01RV14136 –BECHTEL NATIONAL, INC. (BNI)
AUTHORIZATION BASIS CHANGE NOTICE (ABCN) 24590-WTP-ABCN-ENS-02-035,
REVISION 0

Reference: BNI letter from R. F. Naventi to R. J. Schepens, ORP, "Transmittal for Information - Authorization Basis Change Notices 24590-WTP-ABCN-ENS-02-005, Revision 0, *Changes to High-Intensity Crane Control Requirements* and 24590-WTP-ABCN-ENS-02-035, Revision 0, *HLW and PTF PSAR Revisions Regarding SDS Shield Doors*," CCN 047335, dated December 26, 2003.

The U.S. Department of Energy, Office of River Protection requests BNI to resubmit ABCN 24590-WTP-ABCN-ENS-02-035, Revision 0, submitted in the Reference, within 30 days of the date of this letter, to provide a summary of the safety evaluation. In this Contractor-approved ABCN, BNI corrected inaccurate wording selections and incorrect Safety Requirements Document references within the High Level Waste and Pretreatment Facility Preliminary Safety Analysis Report. However, the ABCN did not include a summary of the safety evaluation as required by RL/REG-97-13, *Office of River Protection Position on Contractor-Initiated Changes to the Authorization Basis*, Revision 9, Section 3.5.a, Paragraph 2.iv. Rather, the ABCN included a checked block that contained the following statement: "The change provides adequate safety because the applicable questions on the Safety Evaluation have been answered in a way that ensures adequate safety following the change." This "block statement" did not summarize how the safety evaluation considered the unique changes are being made to the authorization basis.

If you have any questions, please contact me, or your staff may call Walter J. Pasciak, WTP Safety Regulation Division, (509) 373-9189.

Sincerely,

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